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TRANSMITTING APPARATUS  
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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.181 TO REMOVE NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT  
AND REQUEST REMAILING OF NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS**

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Dear Sir:

This is a petition to request removal of Notice of Abandonment that issued on March 8, 2001 and to request the re-mailing of the Notification of Missing Requirements which

purportedly issued on August 9, 2000 in the above-mentioned Application, but was never received by the Applicant's Representative.

Applicant's representative first came to know about the issuance of the subject Notification of Missing Requirements on March 12, 2001, when the Notice of Abandonment was received in the mail with a mailing date of March 8, 2001.

Upon receipt of the above-mentioned Notice of Abandonment, I personally examined our file of this application, but no Notification of Missing Requirements was found therein. In fact, except for the Notice of Abandonment, the only correspondence received from the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) for this application was the postcard return receipt assigning U.S. Serial Number 09/600,047 to it. Petitioner verily believes that said Notification of Missing Requirements, if mailed, was not received by Petitioner.

In addition, a copy of the log of all incoming mail from the PTO with a mailing date of August 9, 2000 is enclosed as evidence that Applicant's attorney never received said Notification of Missing Requirements for Serial No. 09/600,047. It is the practice of this law firm to docket each and every piece of mail that is received from the Patent Office by its mailing date. As can be seen from the enclosed log there is no entry in our docketing system for Application Serial No. 09/600,047 for August 9, 2000.

Prompt action has been taken pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.8(b).

Petitioner respectfully requests that the abandonment be removed from this application and the Notification of Missing Requirements be remailed and the term for responding to said Notice be reset with the mailing of said Notice.

Please change any fees that may be needed in connection with this Petition to  
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Respectfully submitted,

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